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Ms. Leslie Blake
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**Reference: Gary Development Landfill Superfund Site, Gary, Indiana
Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for the Remedial
Investigation/Feasibility Study,
CERCLA Docket No. V-W-14-C-004
August 2018 Monthly Progress Report #052**

Dear Ms. Blake:

In fulfillment of the requirements of Section IX, Paragraph 32, of the Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for the Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study, CERCLA Docket No. V-W-14-C-004, the Respondents are submitting the August 2018 monthly progress report.

Should you have any questions or comments, please contact Mr. Mike Samples, or me, at (865) 691-5052.

Sincerely,
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Enclosure

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MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT - #052

PROJECT NAME: Gary Development Landfill Superfund Site

PERIOD COVERED: August 2018

A. ACTIONS TAKEN TOWARD COMPLIANCE WITH THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

- With a transmittal dated August 13, 2018, the Gary Development Landfill PRP Group (Respondents) provided the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) with an Addendum to the Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP). The QAPP Addendum was prepared, at EPA's request, for Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) sampling and analysis. The QAPP Addendum included an amendment to the Field Sampling Plan (FSP).
- In response to an inquiry from EPA, the Respondents confirmed with TestAmerica Laboratory (TestAmerica) that the instrumentation specified in the QAPP Addendum for PFAS compound analysis (see above) utilizing EPA Method 537M would be followed, even though the lab instrument was temporarily taken off-line. The instrument is scheduled to return to service by mid-September 2018.
- On August 24, 2018, the Respondents received an invoice from EPA for its response costs. The amount invoiced is \$87,842.23, and covers the period of May 1, 2017 through April 30, 2018. Payment of the invoice is due within 30 days of receipt.

B. SAMPLING AND TESTING ACTIONS AND RESULTS

- None.

C/D. WORK PLANNED FOR NEXT TWO MONTHS AND SCHEDULE OF SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES / DELIVERABLES

- Receive EPA approval of the revised RI report, dated July 5, 2018, and upon approval of the RI report, initiate work on the feasibility study.
- Receive EPA approval of the QAPP Addendum, including an amendment to the FSP, for PFAS sampling, dated August 13, 2018.
- Upon EPA approval of the QAPP Addendum, schedule the PFAS sampling field event.
- On or before September 23, 2018, remit payment for EPA's response costs invoice for the period of May 1, 2017 through April 30, 2018.

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E. CHANGES IN RI/FS WORK PLANS OR ACTIVITIES

- As noted above, and pursuant to EPA's request, the Respondents have agreed to sample groundwater for PFAS compounds. This activity will be scheduled once EPA approval of the QAPP Addendum is received.

F. ENCOUNTERED / ANTICIPATED DELAYS

- None.

G. COMMUNITY RELATIONS ACTIVITIES

- None.